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1. Mollers, Limited, Hong Kong, contracted to tow from Hong Kong to Canton three Type T2 former United States Navy tankers. The vessels were of 13,000+ tons each. Neither the sellers nor the buyers were known.
2. During the tow, which took place during the second week of January 1961, one of the vessels, towed by the tug MARGARET MOLLER, Captain Young, went aground.

25X1 [Redacted] Comment. These vessels seem large to be towed up the Pearl River. The vessels could not be identified from the description given. As of 10 January 1961, according to the report of another American agency, there were three tankers, each approximately 5,000 tons gross, laid up in Hong Kong waters.

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